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Washington, **DC** –Congresswoman Betty McCollum (MN-04) today released the following statement mourning the death of U.S. Army Private First Class Kham Xiong from Saint Paul, Minnesota. PFC Xiong was killed during the horrific shooting at the Fort Hood Army Base in Texas that left at least 13 dead and more than 30 wounded, including soldiers and military personnel:

"I wish to extend my deepest sympathies to the family of Private First Class Kham Xiong. This senseless act of violence has resulted in a tremendous loss for the Xiong family, but also for residents of Saint Paul, and indeed our entire nation. Private First Class Xiong was among the brave men and women in uniform who volunteer to serve and sacrifice in order to protect our nation's freedom. Congress and the entire country join the Xiong family in mourning this loss and we hold the memory of PFC Kham Xiong in our hearts."

Congresswoman Betty McCollum (MN-4) serves on the House Appropriations & Budget Committees.

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